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10/780862This requests a Continuation or Divisional application under 37 CFR §1.53(b) of prior application:

Appln. No.:	09/459,712	Group Art Unit:	1631
Filed on:	December 13, 1999	Examiner:	Ardin H. Marschel
Entitled:	HYBRIDIZATION DETECTION METHOD AND BIOCHIPS		

- 1. The entire disclosure of the pending, prior application is hereby incorporated by reference.
- 2. Submitted herewith is a copy of the complete prior application as filed.
- 3. This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior nonprovisional application, 37 CFR 1.53(b)(1). **DELETE** the following inventor(s): _____.
- 4. Submitted herewith is a copy of the signed Oath/Declaration from the prior application.
- 5. Small entity status was established in the prior application, and is still proper and desired.
- 6. A _____ month Petition for Extension of Time is filed concurrently in the prior application.
- 7. The Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment and charge any deficiency in any fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and/or 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 08-1480.
- 8. A check in the amount of \$ 810.00 for filing and assignment fees is submitted herewith.
- 9. Insert before the first sentence of the specification: This application is a Continuation of nonprovisional U.S. Application No. 09/459,712 filed December 13, 1999.
- 10. Cancel in this application original claims _____ of prior application before calculating the filing fee.
- 11. The prior application is assigned of record to: Hitachi Software Engineering Co., Ltd.
- 12. Priority is claimed based on U.S. Application No. 09/459,712 filed December 13, 1999, which claims priority to Japanese Application Nos. 10-355956 and 11-328352 filed on December 15, 1998, and November 18, 1999, respectively.
- 13. A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- 14. Other: Information Disclosure Statement

THE FILING FEE IS CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:				Basic Fee: \$ 770.00
Total Claims:	10	-20 =	0	× \$18 = 0.00
*Independent claims:	1	-3 =	0	× \$86 = 0.00
				Multiple Dependent Claim (Add \$280.00): 0
				Subtotal: 770.00
				50% Reduction if Small Entity Status: 0
				Total: 770.00
Date:	Name:		Signature:	Reg. No.
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